

[54] **POLY-CATION SALTS OF BIS(OR TRIS)[4-O-MONOHEXOSE-THIO]-ARYLENE SULFATE DERIVATIVES**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

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Poly-cation salts of bis(or tris)[4-O-mono-hexose-thio]-arylene sulfate derivatives useful as modulators of the complement system, the intermediates thereof and the process of making such intermediates and end products.

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**POLY-CATION SALTS OF BIS(OR  
TRIS)[4-O-MONOHYDROXY-THIO]-ARYLENE  
SULFATE DERIVATIVES**

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

**1. Field of Invention**

The present invention relates to novel cation salts of bis(or tris) [4-O-mono-hydroxy-thio]-arylene sulfate derivatives, to their use as modulators of the complement system of warm-blooded animals, to the intermediates thereof and to the process for the preparation of such intermediates and end products.

**2. Description of the Prior Art**

The term "complement" refers to a complex group of proteins in body fluids that, working together with antibodies or other factors, play an important role as mediators of immune, allergic, immunochemical and/or immunopathological reactions. The reactions in which complement participates take place in blood serum or in other body fluids, and hence are considered to be humoral reactions.

With regard to human blood, there are at present more than 20 proteins in the complement system consisting of the so-called classical and alternative pathways. These complement proteins are generally designated by the letter C and by number: C1, C2, C3 and so on up to C9. The complement protein C1 is actually an assembly of subunits designated C1q, C1r and C1s. The numbers assigned to the complement proteins reflect the sequence in which they become active, with the exception of complement protein C4, which reacts after C1 and before C2. The numerical assignments for the proteins in the complement system were made before the reaction sequence was fully understood. A more detailed discussion of the complement system and its biochemical, biological and pathological role in the body processes can be found in, for example, *Bull. W. H. O.* 39: 935 (1968); *Annu. Rev. Med.* 19: 1 (1968); *Johns Hopkins Med. J.* 128: 57 (1971); *Harvey Lect.* 66: 75 (1972); *N. Engl. J. Med.* 287: 452, 489, 545, 592, 642 (1972); *Sci. Am.* 229 (5): 54 (1973); *Fed. Pro.* 32: 134 (1973); *Med. World*, Oct. 11, 1974, p. 53; *J. Allergy Clin. Immunol.* 53: 298 (1974); *Cold Spring Harbor Conf. Cell Proliferation 2/Proteases Biol. Control*: 229 (1975); *Annu. Rev. Biochem.* 44: 697 (1975); *Complement in Clinical Medicine*, *Dis. Mon.* (1975); *Complement*, *Scope*, December 1975; *Ann. Intern. Med.* 84: 580 (1976); *Transplant Rev.*: 32 (1976); "Complement: Mechanisms and Functions," Prentice-Hall, Englewood Cliffs, N.J. (1976); *Essays Med. Biochem.* 2: 1 (1976); *Hosp. Pract.* 12: 33 (1977); *Perturbation of Complement in Disease*, Chap. 15 in *Biol. Amplification Systems in Immunol.* (Ed. Day and Good), Plenum, New York and London (1977); *Am. J. Clin. Pathol.* 68: 647 (1977); *Biochem. Soc. Trans.* 5: 1659 (1977); *Harvey Lect.* 72: 139 (1976-1977); *J. Periodontol.* 48: 505 (1977); *Biochem. Soc. Trans.* 6: 798 (1978); *Clin. and Exp. Dermatol.* 4: 271 (1979); *Infect. Dis. Rev.* 1: 483 (1979).

The complement system (e.g., classical pathway) can be considered to consist of three subsystems: (1) a recognition unit (C1q) which enables it to combine with antibody molecules that have detected a foreign invader; (2) an activation unit (C1r, C1s, C2, C4, C3) which prepares a site on the neighboring membrane; and (3) an attack unit (C5, C6, C7, C8 and C9) which creates a "hole" in the membrane. The membrane at-

tack unit is non-specific; it destroys invaders only because it is generated in their neighborhood. In order to minimize damage to the host's own cells, its activity must be limited in time. This limitation is accomplished partly by the spontaneous decay of activated complement and partly by interference by inhibitors and destructive enzymes. The control of complement, however, is not perfect, and there are times when damage is done to host's cells. Immunity is, therefore, a double-edged sword.

Activation of the complement system also accelerates blood clotting. This action comes about by way of the complement-mediated release of a clotting factor from platelets. The biologically active complement fragments and complexes can become involved in reactions that damage the host's cells. These pathogenic reactions can result in the development of immune-complex diseases. For example, in some forms of nephritis, complement damages the basal membrane of the kidney, resulting in the escape of protein from the blood into the urine. The disease disseminated lupus erythematosus belongs in this category; its symptoms include nephritis, visceral lesions and skin eruptions. The treatment of diphtheria or tetanus with the injection of large amounts of antitoxin sometimes results in serum sickness, an immune-complex disease. Rheumatoid arthritis also involves immune complexes. Like disseminated lupus erythematosus, it is an autoimmune disease in which the disease symptoms are caused by pathological effects of the immune system in the host's tissues. In summary, the complement system has been shown to be involved with inflammation, coagulation, fibrinolysis, antibody-antigen reactions and other metabolic processes.

In the presence of antibody-antigen complexes the complement proteins are involved in a series of reactions which may lead to irreversible membrane damage if they occur in the vicinity of biological membranes. Thus, while complement constitutes a part of the body's defense mechanism against infection it also results in inflammation and tissue damage in the immunopathological process. The nature of certain complement proteins, suggestions regarding the mode of complement binding to biological membranes and the manner in which complement effects membrane damage are discussed in *Annu. Rev. Biochem.* 38: 389 (1969); *J. Exp. Med.* 141: 724 (1975); *J. Immunol.* 116: 1431 (1976); 119: 1, 1195, 1358, 1482 (1977); 120: 1841 (1978); *Immunochimistry* 115: 813 (1978); *J. Biol. Chem.* 254: 9908 (1979).

A variety of substances have been disclosed as inhibiting the complement system, i.e., as complement inhibitors. For example, the compounds, 3,3'-ureylenebis[6-(2-amino-8-hydroxy-6-sulfo-1-naphthylazo)benzenesulfonic acid], tetrasodium salt (chlorazol fast pink), heparin and a sulphated dextran have been reported to have an anticomplementary effect, *Br. J. Exp. Pathol.* 33: 327 (1952). German Patent No. 2,254,893 or South African Pat. No. 727,923 discloses certain 1-(diphenylmethyl)-4-(3-phenylallyl)piperazines useful as complement inhibitors. Other chemical compounds having complement inhibiting activity are disclosed in, for example, *J. Med. Chem.* 12: 415, 902, 1049, 1053 (1969); *Can. J. Biochem.* 47: 547 (1969); *J. Immunol.* 104: 279 (1970); *J. Immunol.* 106: 241 (1971); *J. Immunol.* 111: 1061 (1973); *Biochim. Biophys. Acta* 317: 539 (1973); *Life Sci.* 13: 351 (1973); *J. Immunol.* 113: 584 (1974); *Immunology* 26: 819

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It has been reported that the known complement inhibitors, epsilon-aminocaproic acid and tranexamic acid, have been used with success in the treatment of hereditary angioneurotic edema, a disease state resulting from an inherited deficiency or lack of function of the serum inhibitor of the activated first component of the complement (C1 inhibitor), N. Engl. J. Med. 286: 808 (1972); 287: 452 (1972); Ann. Intern. Med. 84: 580 (1976); J. Allergy Clin. Immunol. 60: 38 (1977). Also androgenic steroids have been used successfully in the treatment of this physiological disorder; see Medicine 58: 321 (1979); Arthritis Rheum. 22: 1295 (1979); Am. J. Med. 66: 681 (1979); and J. Allergy Clin. Immunol. 65: 75 (1980).

It has also been reported that the drug pentosan-polysulfoester has an anticomplementary activity on human serum, both *in vitro* and *in vivo*, as judged by the reduction in total hemolytic complement activity, Pathol. Biol. 25: 33; 25 (2): 105; 25 (3): 179 (1977).

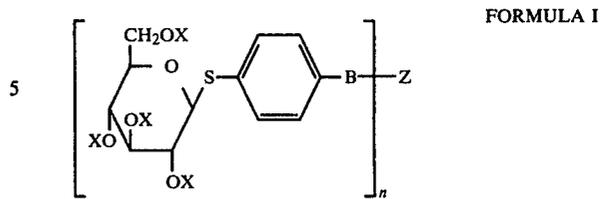
### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The instant invention relates to new compounds bis(or tris) [4-O-mono-hexose-thio]-arylene sulfate derivatives and the cation salts thereof, that modulate the complement system, thereby modulating complement activity in body fluids. Moreover, this invention involves a method of modulating the complement system in a body fluid which comprises subjecting body fluid complement to the action of an effective complement modulating amount of the above-identified compounds. This invention further concerns a method of modulating the complement system in a warm-blooded animal which comprises administering to said animal an effective complement modulating amount of the above-identified compounds.

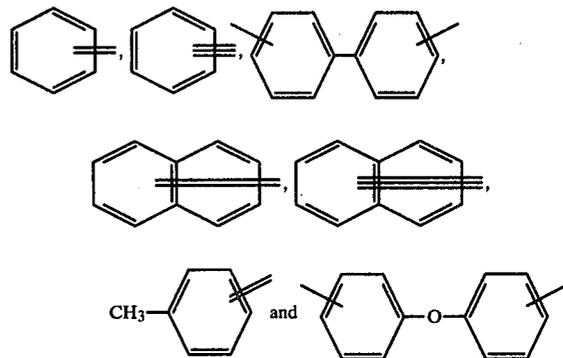
The invention also deals with the novel precursors that act as intermediates in preparing the above-described complement modulating compounds of this invention.

### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

In accordance with the present invention, there are provided novel compounds represented by the following generic Formula I:



wherein X is  $-\text{SO}_3\text{M}$  and M is a nontoxic pharmaceutically acceptable cation salt, wherein the salt forming moiety is selected from the group consisting of alkali metal, alkaline earth metal, aluminum, zinc, ammonia and substituted ammonia selected from the group consisting of trialkylamine ( $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ ), piperidine, pyrazine, alkanolamine ( $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6$ ) and cycloalkylamine ( $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6$ ); B is selected from the group consisting of  $-\text{NHCO}-$  and  $-\text{NHSO}_2-$ ; n is an integer 2 or 3; and Z is an arylene selected from the group consisting of:



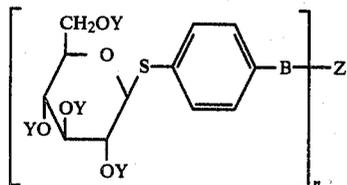
Particularly preferred compounds of Formula I which are of major interest as modulators of the complement system include the following:

- Dodecasodium  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide.
- Dodecasodium  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide.
- Dodecasodium  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide.
- Octasodium  $\text{N,N'}$ -bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide.
- Dodecatriethylammonium  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide.
- Dodecatriethylammonium  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide.
- Dodecatriethylammonium  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide.
- Octatriethylammonium  $\text{N,N'}$ -bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide.

This invention further deals with a method of modulating the complement system in a body fluid, such as blood serum, which comprises subjecting body fluid complement to the action of an effective complement

modulating amount of a compound of the above Formula I. Body fluids can include blood, plasma, serum, synovial fluid, cerebrospinal fluid, or pathological accumulations of fluid such as pleural effusion, etc. This invention also concerns a method of modulating the complement system in a warm-blooded animal which comprises administering to said warm-blooded animal an effective complement modulating amount of a compound of the above Formula I.

In addition, this invention is concerned with the precursors in the preparation of the complement modulating compounds of Formula I, shown by the following Formula II:



Formula II

wherein Y is selected from the group consisting of —H and —COCH<sub>3</sub>, and B, Z and n are as defined in Formula I.

Specific compounds of Formula II which are of particular interest as intermediates for the production of the compounds of Formula I include the following:

N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide.

N,N',N''-tris[4-[(β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide.

N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylene-trisulfonamide.

N,N',N''-tris[4-[(β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylene-trisulfonamide.

N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide.

N,N',N''-tris[4-[(β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide.

N,N'-bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide.

N,N'-bis[4-[(β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide.

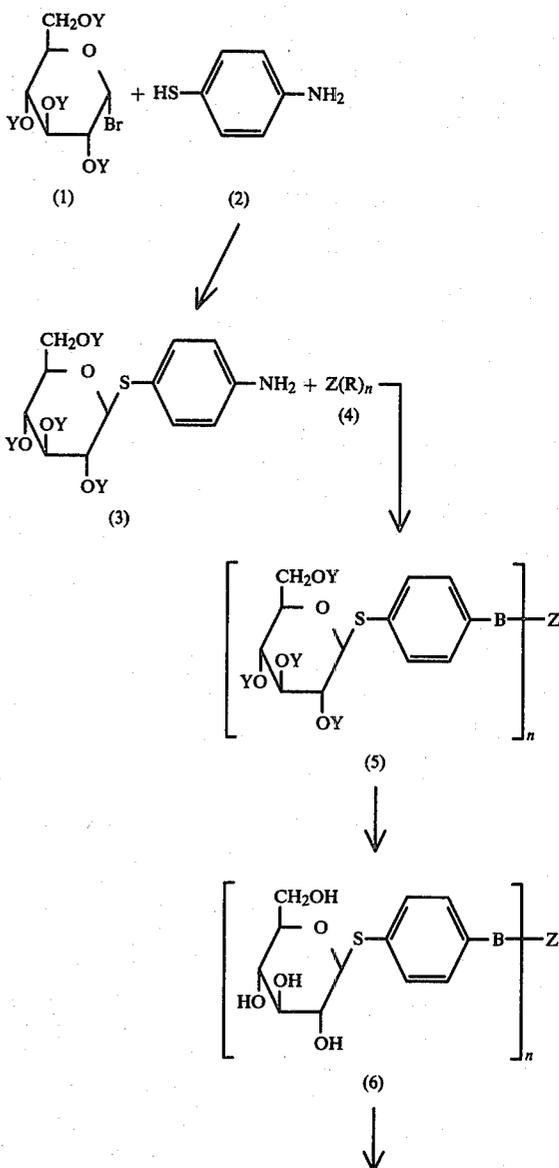
Although the compounds of Formula I are shown as β-glycosides in the fully sulfated form, this invention is not limited to such compounds, as α-glycosides and partially sulfated α- and β-glycosides are also contemplated. This invention further contemplates other sugars such as aldo- or keto-hexoses or pentoses or uronic acids.

The compounds of Formula I find utility as complement modulators in body fluids and as such may be used to ameliorate or prevent those pathological reactions requiring the function of complement and in the therapeutic treatment of warm-blooded animals having immunologic diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, certain kinds of glomerulonephritis, certain kinds of autoallergic hemolytic anemia, certain kinds of platelet disorders and certain kinds of vasculitis. These compounds may also be used in the therapeutic treatment of warm-blooded animals having nonimmunologic diseases such as paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria, hereditary angioneurotic edema and

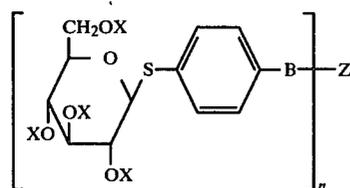
inflammatory states induced by the action of bacterial or lysosomal enzymes on the appropriate complement components as, for example, inflammation following coronary occlusion. They also may be useful in the treatment of transplant rejection and ulcers and as blood culture and transport mediums. The sulfated compounds of this invention such as the sodium and aluminum salts, may be particularly useful in the treatment of ulcers and the like on oral therapy. Also, the non-sulfated intermediate compounds of Formula II may be useful as immuno-enhancing agents or potentiators.

The compounds of this invention may be prepared according to the following flowchart.

## FLOWCHART



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FLOWCHART



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In accordance with the above flowchart an acetobromoglucose (1), where Y is  $-\text{COCH}_3$ , is reacted with sodium hydride in dimethoxyethane and p-aminothiophenol (2) under an inert atmosphere for 18-36 hours, giving a 4-aminophenyl-4-O-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl)-1-thio- $\alpha$ (or  $\beta$ )-D-glucopyranoside (3) where Y is  $-\text{COCH}_3$ , which is then reacted with a di- or trisubstituted arylene compound (4) where Z is as described hereinbefore, R is  $-\text{COCl}$  or  $-\text{SOCl}$  and n is an integer 2 or 3, giving an N,N' or N,N',N''-bis(or tris) [4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\alpha$ (or  $\beta$ )-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]di- or trisubstituted arylene carboxamide (or sulfonamide) (5), where Y is  $-\text{COCH}_3$  and B, Z and n are as hereinbefore described. The peracetyl derivative (5) is then reacted with sodium or ammonia in methanol under an inert atmosphere for 1-4 hours, giving (6). Derivative (6) is then reacted first with a trialkylamine ( $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ ) sulfur trioxide in N,N-dimethylacetamide for 18-36 hours at  $60^\circ\text{-}75^\circ\text{C}$ . and then added to methyl isobutyl ketone giving a trialkylammonium ( $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ ) derivative (7), where X is  $-\text{SO}_3\text{-NH}^+[\text{alkyl}(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6)]_3$ , which is then reacted with a cation-containing compound wherein the salt forming moiety is selected from the group consisting of alkali metal, alkaline earth metal, aluminum, zinc, ammonia and substituted ammonia selected from the group consisting of piperidine, pyrazine, alkanolamine ( $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6$ ) and cycloalkylamine ( $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6$ ), and then precipitated in ethanol, giving (7) as the end product of Formula I, where B, Z and n are as described above and X is  $-\text{SO}_3\text{M}$  where M is as described above.

It is generally preferred that the respective product of each process step, described hereinabove, is separated and/or isolated prior to its use as starting material for subsequent steps. Separation and isolation can be effected by any suitable purification procedure such as, for example, evaporation, crystallization, column chromatography, thin-layer chromatography, distillation, etc. Also it should be appreciated that when typical reaction conditions (e.g., temperatures, mole ratios, reaction times) have been given, the conditions which are both above and below these specified ranges can also be used, though generally less conveniently.

The term "pharmaceutically acceptable salt" refers to those salts of the parent compound which do not significantly or adversely affect the pharmaceutical properties (e.g., toxicity, effectiveness, etc.) of the parent compound. The salt forming moieties of the present invention which are pharmaceutically acceptable include the alkali metals (e.g., sodium, potassium, etc.); alkaline earth metals (e.g., calcium, etc.); aluminum; zinc; ammonia; and substituted ammonia selected from the group consisting of trialkylamine ( $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ ), piperidine, pyrazine, alkanolamine ( $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6$ ) and cycloalkylamine ( $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6$ ).

The term "trialkylamine ( $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ )" defines those amines having three aliphatic fully saturated hydrocarbon substituents containing 1 to 6 carbon atoms either linearly or branched. Typically, these amines are trimethylamine, triethylamine, tripropylamine, dimethylethylamine, dimethyl-1-propylamine, etc. The term "alkanolamine ( $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6$ )" refers to the above-defined trialkylamines additionally substituted with at least one and not more than three hydroxy groups on at least two of the alkyl hydrocarbon chains. Such amines are, for example, triethanolamine, tripropanolamine, etc. The term "cycloalkylamine ( $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6$ )" is defined as the 3 to 6 fully saturated carbocyclic moieties such as cyclopropyl, methylcyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, etc.

As used hereinabove and below unless expressly stated to the contrary, all temperatures and temperature ranges refer to the centigrade system and the terms "ambient" or "room temperature" refer to about  $25^\circ\text{C}$ . The term "percent" or "(%)" refers to weight percent and the terms "mole" and "moles" refer to gram moles. The term "equivalent" refers to a quantity of reagent equal in moles to the moles of the preceding or succeeding reactant recited in the Preparation or Example in the term of moles of finite weight or volume.

Whereas the exact scope of the instant invention is set forth in the appended claims, the following specific examples illustrate certain aspects of the present invention. However, the examples are set forth for illustration only and are not to be construed as limitations on the present invention except as set forth in the appended claims.

A further understanding of the invention can be obtained from the following non-limiting Preparations and Examples.

#### EXAMPLE 1

##### 4-Aminophenyl 4-O-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl)-1-thio- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside

To a 4.2 g portion of 50% sodium hydride (in oil) in 100 ml of dry dimethoxyethane, under argon, was added a solution of 9.2 g of 4-aminothiophenol in 100 ml of dry dimethoxyethane. This mixture was stirred for 1.5 hours, then a solution of 20 g of acetobromoglucose in 100 ml of dry dimethoxyethane was added. This mixture was stirred overnight, then filtered and the filtrate evaporated to dryness. The residue was taken up in 300 ml of ether, washed with 20 ml of water, 20 ml of 10% aqueous sodium carbonate, then saline, dried and evaporated to a brown syrup. This syrup was purified by column chromatography on silica gel, using the system ethyl acetate:hexane (1:1) and then crystallized from ether with refrigeration, giving 6.96 g of the desired compound, mp  $121^\circ\text{-}123^\circ\text{C}$ .

#### EXAMPLE 2

##### N,N',N''-Tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrifunctionamide

To a solution of 1.5 g of 4-aminophenyl 4-O-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl)-1-thio- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside in 15 ml of dry pyridine:acetonitrile (1:1) was added 465 mg of 1,3,6-naphthylenetrifunction chloride. This mixture was allowed to stand 48 hours, then was diluted with 75 ml of water, stirred for 15 minutes and extracted twice with chloroform. The combined extracts were washed with 0.5 N hydrochloric acid and saturated aqueous

sodium chloride, dried, and evaporated to dryness. The residue was evaporated twice from toluene, giving 1.8 g of the desired intermediate as an orange-red glass.

## EXAMPLE 3

**N,N',N''-Tris[4-[( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide**

A solution of 471 mg of N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide in 25 ml of methanolic ammonia was stirred for 3 hours, then refrigerated overnight. The mixture was then evaporated to dryness *in vacuo* and the residue was triturated with acetonitrile and dried *in vacuo*, giving 311 mg of the desired intermediate, m.p. 201°-205° C. (previous softening).

## EXAMPLE 4

## Dodecasodium

**N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide**

A solution of 200 mg of N,N',N''-tris[4-[( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide and 739 mg of triethylamine-sulfur trioxide complex in 6 ml of dry N,N-dimethylacetamide was stirred in an oil bath at 65°-70° C., under argon, for 18 hours, then cooled and poured into a mixture of 60 ml of methyl isobutyl ketone and 2 ml of triethylamine. The mixture was allowed to stand several hours and the resulting gum was collected giving dodecatriethylammonium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide.

This gum was dissolved in 5 ml of water, 167 mg of sodium acetate were added and the mixture was filtered through diatomaceous earth into 75 ml of absolute ethanol and stirred for 30 minutes. The resulting solid was collected, washed with absolute ethanol, then ether and dried *in vacuo* at 40° C., giving 226 mg of the desired product, m.p. 210° C. (dec.).

## EXAMPLES 5-7

The intermediates of Examples 5, 6 and 7 were prepared according to the procedure described in Example 2, using the appropriate arylene derivatives as given in the following Table I.

TABLE I

Ex.	Arylene Reactant	Intermediate
5	1,3,5-benzenetricarboxylic acid	N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide
6	terephthaloyl chloride	N,N',N''-bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide
7	1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonyl chloride	N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide

## EXAMPLES 8-10

The intermediates of Examples 8, 9 and 10 were prepared according to the procedure described in Example 3, using the appropriate precursors as given in the following Table II.

TABLE II

Ex.	Precursor (Ex.)	Intermediate
8	5	N,N',N''-tris[4-[( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide
9	6	N,N',N''-bis[4-[( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide
10	7	N,N',N''-tris[4-[( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide

## EXAMPLES 11-13

The products of Examples 11, 12 and 13 were prepared according to the procedure described in Example 4, using the appropriate precursors to make first the polytriethylammonium salt and then the polysodium salt as given in the following Table III.

TABLE III

Ex.	Precursor (Ex.)	Product(s)
11	8	dodecatriethylammonium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide octatriethylammonium N,N'-bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide octasodium N,N'-bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide dodecatriethylammonium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide
12	9	
13	10	

## EXAMPLE 14

## Preparation of Compressed Tablets

Ingredient	mg./Tablet
Active Compound	0.5-500
Dibasic Calcium Phosphate N.F.	qs
Starch USP	40
Modified Starch	10
Magnesium Stearate USP	1-5

## EXAMPLE 15

## Preparation of Compressed Tablet - Sustained Action

Ingredient	mg./Tablet
Active Compound as Aluminum Lake*, Micronized	0.5-500 (as acid equivalent)
Dibasic Calcium Phosphate N.F.	qs
Alginate Acid	20
Starch USP	35

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Preparation of Compressed Tablet - Sustained Action

Ingredient	mg./Tablet
Magnesium Stearate USP	1-10

Complement inhibitor plus aluminum sulfate yields aluminum complement inhibitor. Complement inhibitor content in aluminum lake ranges from 5-30%.

## EXAMPLE 16

Preparation of Hard Shell Capsule

Ingredient	mg./Capsule
Active Compound	0.5-500
Lactose, Spray Dried	qs
Magnesium Stearate	1-10

## EXAMPLE 17

Preparation of Oral Liquid (Syrup)

Ingredient	% W/V
Active Compound	0.05-5
Liquid Sugar	75.0
Methyl Paraben USP	0.18
Propyl Paraben USP	0.02
Flavoring Agent	qs
Purified Water qs ad	100.0

## EXAMPLE 18

Preparation of Oral Liquid (Elixir)

Ingredient	% W/V
Active Compound	0.05-5
Alcohol USP	12.5
Glycerin USP	45.0
Syrup USP	20.0
Flavoring Agent	qs
Purified Water qs ad	100.0

## EXAMPLE 19

Preparation of Oral Suspension (Syrup)

Ingredient	% W/V
Active Compound as Aluminum Lake, Micronized	0.05-5 (acid equivalent)
Polysorbate 80 USP	0.1
Magnesium Aluminum Silicate, Colloidal	0.3
Flavoring Agent	qs
Methyl Paraben USP	0.18
Propyl Paraben USP	0.02
Liquid Sugar	75.0
Purified Water qs ad	100.0

## EXAMPLE 20

Preparation of Injectable Solution

Ingredient	% W/V
Active Compound	0.05-5
Benzyl Alcohol N.F.	0.9
Water for Injection	100.0

## EXAMPLE 21

Preparation of Injectable Oil

Ingredient	% W/V
Active Compound	0.05-5
Benzyl Alcohol	1.5
Sesame Oil qs ad	100.0

## EXAMPLE 22

Preparation of Intra-Articular Product

Ingredient	Amount
Active Compound	2-20 mg.
NaCl (physiological saline)	0.9%
Benzyl Alcohol	0.9%
Sodium Carboxymethylcellulose	1-5%
pH adjusted to 5.0-7.5	
Water for Injection qs ad	100%

## EXAMPLE 23

Preparation of Injectable Depo Suspension

Ingredient	% W/V
Active Compound	0.05-5 (acid equivalent)
Polysorbate 80 USP	0.2
Polyethylene Glycol 4000 USP	3.0
Sodium Chloride USP	0.8
Benzyl Alcohol N.F.	0.9
HCl to pH 6-8	qs
Water for Injection qs ad	100.0

## EXAMPLE 24

Preparation of Dental Paste

Ingredient	% W/V
Active Compound	0.05-5
Zinc Oxide	15
Polyethylene Glycol 4000 USP	50
Distilled Water qs	100

## EXAMPLE 25

Preparation of Dental Ointment

Ingredient	% W/W
Active Compound	0.05-5
Petrolatum, White USP qs	100

## EXAMPLE 26

Preparation of Dental Cream

Ingredient	% W/W
Active Compound	0.05-5
Mineral Oil	50
Beeswax	15
Sorbitan Monostearate	2
Polyoxyethylene 20 Sorbitan Monostearate	3
Methyl Paraben USP	0.18
Propyl Paraben USP	0.02
Distilled Water qs	100

## EXAMPLE 27

Preparation of Topical Cream	
Ingredient	% W/W
Active Compound	0.05-5
Sodium Lauryl Sulfate	1
Propylene Glycol	12
Stearyl Alcohol	25
Petrolatum, White USP	25
Methyl Paraben USP	0.18
Propyl Paraben USP	0.02
Purified Water qs	100

## EXAMPLE 28

Preparation of Topical Ointment	
Ingredient	% W/W
Active Compound	0.05-5
Cholesterol	3
Stearyl Alcohol	3
White Wax	8
Petrolatum, White USP qs	100

## EXAMPLE 29

Preparation of Spray Lotion (Non-aerosol)	
Ingredient	% W/W
Active Compound	0.05-5
Isopropyl Myristate	20
Alcohol (Denatured) qs	100

## EXAMPLE 30

Preparation of Buccal Tablet	
Ingredient	mg./Tablet
Active Ingredient	3.25
6 × Sugar	290.60
Acacia	14.53
Soluble Starch	14.53
F. D. & C. Yellow No. 6 Dye	0.49
Magnesium Stearate	1.60
	325.00

The final tablet will weigh about 325 mg. and may be compressed into buccal tablets in flat faced or any other tooling shape convenient for buccal administration.

## EXAMPLE 31

Preparation of Lozenge	
Ingredient	g./Lozenge
Active Ingredient	0.0140
Kompact ® Sugar (Sucrest Co.)	0.7138
6 × Sugar	0.4802
Sorbitol (USP Crystalline)	0.1038
Flavor	0.0840
Magnesium Stearate	0.0021
Dye	qs
Stearic Acid	0.0021
	1.4000

The ingredients are compressed into  $\frac{3}{8}$ " flat based lozenge tooling. Other shapes may also be utilized.

The compounds of the present invention may be administered internally, e.g., orally, intra-articularly or

parenterally, to a warm-blooded animal to inhibit complement in the body fluid of the animal, such inhibition being useful in the amelioration or prevention of those reactions dependent upon the function of complement, such as inflammatory process and cell membrane damage induced by antigen-antibody complexes. A range of doses may be employed depending on the mode of administration, the condition being treated and the particular compound being used. For example, for intravenous or subcutaneous use from about 5 to about 50 mg/kg/day, or every six hours for more rapidly excreted salts, may be used. For intra-articular use for large joints such as the knee, from about 2 to about 20 mg/joint/week may be used, with proportionally smaller doses for smaller joints. The dosage range is to be adjusted to provide optimum therapeutic response in the warm-blooded animal being treated. In general, the amount of compound administered can vary over a wide range to provide from about 5 mg/kg to about 100 mg/kg of body weight of animal per day. The usual daily dosage for a 70 kg subject may vary from about 350 mg to about 3.5 g. Unit doses of the acid or salt can contain from about 0.5 mg to about 500 mg.

The compounds of the present invention may also be administered topically in the form of ointments, creams, lotions and the like, suitable for the treatment of complement dependent dermatological disorders.

Moreover, the compounds of the present invention may be administered in the form of dental pastes, ointments, buccal tablets and other compositions suitable for application periodontally for the treatment of periodontitis and related diseases of the oral cavity.

In therapeutic use, the compounds of this invention may be administered in the form of conventional pharmaceutical compositions. Such compositions may be formulated so as to be suitable for oral or parenteral administration. The active ingredient may be combined in admixture with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, which carrier may take a wide variety of forms depending on the form of preparation desired for administration, i.e., oral or parenteral. The compounds can be used in compositions such as tablets. Here, the principal active ingredient is mixed with conventional tableting ingredients such as corn starch, lactose, sucrose, sorbitol, talc, stearic acid, magnesium stearate, dicalcium phosphate, gums, or similar materials as non-toxic pharmaceutically acceptable diluents or carriers.

The tablets or pills of the novel compositions can be laminated or otherwise compounded to provide a dosage form affording the advantage of prolonged or delayed action or predetermined successive action of the enclosed medication. For example, the tablet or pill can comprise an inner dosage and an outer dosage component, the latter being in the form of an envelope over the former. The two components can be separated by an enteric layer which serves to resist disintegration in the stomach and permits the inner component to pass intact into the duodenum or to be delayed in release. A variety of materials can be used for such enteric layers or coatings, such materials including a number of polymeric acids or mixtures of polymeric acids with such materials as shellac, shellac and cetyl alcohol, cellulose acetate and the like. A particularly advantageous enteric coating comprises a styrene maleic acid copolymer together with known materials contributing to the enteric properties of the coating. The tablet or pill may be colored through the use of an appropriate nontoxic dye, so as to provide a pleasing appearance.

The liquid forms in which the novel compositions of the present invention may be incorporated for administration include suitable flavored emulsions with edible oils, such as, cottonseed oil, sesame oil, coconut oil, peanut oil, and the like, as well as elixirs and similar pharmaceutical vehicles. Sterile suspensions or solutions can be prepared for parenteral use. Isotonic preparations containing suitable preservatives are also desirable for injection use.

The term "dosage form," as described herein, refers to physically discrete units suitable as unitary dosage for warm-blooded animal subjects, each unit containing a predetermined quantity of active component calculated to produce the desired therapeutic effect in association

mately 0.4 ml blood samples, taken by orbital sinus puncture 2 hours and 6 hours after injections, are collected directly into centrifuge tubes; 5 ml blood samples, taken by decapitation 24 hours after injection, are collected directly into beakers. The samples are allowed to clot, centrifuged, and the resultant sera are assayed for complement activity using the capillary complement assay. Percent inhibition is calculated by comparison with simultaneous controls. The results of the GPIP appear in Table IV together with results of Test Code 026, 035, and Cap 50. Table IV shows that the principal compounds of the invention possess highly significant complement modulating activity in warm-blooded animals.

TABLE IV

Compound	Biological Activities				In vivo Activity (Guinea Pig % Inhibition) (Intraperitoneal) Time (Hours)		
	In vitro Activity		Guinea Pig Cap*	Human Cap*	2	6	24
	C-1 026*	C-Late 035*					
	Wells	Wells	50	50			
Dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide	4**	1	333				
Dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide	10	2	90	225	91 93	91 87 91	
Dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide	5	1	285				
Octasodium N,N'-bis[4-[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide	4	1					

\*Tests identified by code herein. For a discussion of the tests, see "Systematic Discovery & Evaluation of Complement Inhibitors," N. Bauman et al., Immunopharmacology 3: 317-24 (1981).

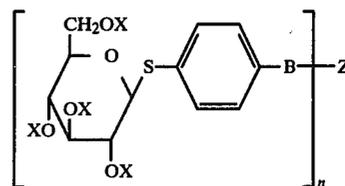
\*\*Activity in wells, a serial dilution assay; higher well number indicates higher activity. The serial dilutions are two-fold.

with the required pharmaceutical diluent, carrier or vehicle. The specification for the novel dosage forms of this invention are indicated by characteristics of the active component and the particular therapeutic effect to be achieved or the limitations inherent in the art of compounding such an active component for therapeutic use in warm-blooded animals as disclosed in this specification. Examples of suitable oral dosage forms in accord with this invention are tablets, capsules, pills, powder packets, granules, wafers, cachets, teaspoonfuls, dropperfuls, ampules, vials, segregated multiples of any of the foregoing and other forms as herein described.

The complement modulating activity of compounds of this invention has been demonstrated by one or more of the following identified tests: (i) Test Code 026 (C1 inhibitor)—This test measures the ability of activated human C1 to destroy fluid phase human C2 in the presence of C4 and appropriate dilutions of the test compound. An active inhibitor protects C2 from C1 and C4; (ii) Test Code 035 (C3-C9 inhibitor)—This test determines the ability of the late components of human complement (C3-C9) to lyse EAC 142 in the presence of appropriate dilutions of the test compound. An active inhibitor protects EAC 142 from lysis by human C3-C9; (iii) Cap 50 Test—Here, appropriate amounts of the test compound are added to a pool of guinea pig or human serum *in vitro*, after which the undiluted serum capillary tube assay of U.S. Pat. No. 3,876,376 is run. The concentration of compound inhibiting 50% is reported; and (iv) Guinea Pig Intraperitoneal Test (GPIP)—Guinea pigs weighing about 300 g are dosed intraperitoneally (i.p.) with 200 mg/kg of the test compound dissolved in saline and adjusted to pH 7-8. Approxi-

We claim:

1. A compound selected from those of the formula:

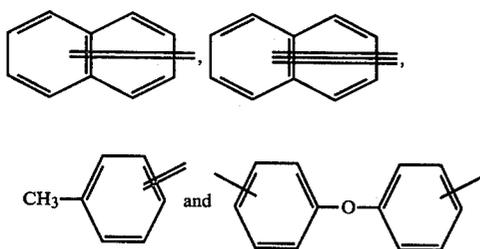


wherein X is  $-\text{SO}_3\text{M}$  and M is a nontoxic pharmaceutically acceptable cation salt, wherein the salt forming moiety is selected from the group consisting of alkali metal, alkaline earth metal, aluminum, zinc, ammonia and substituted ammonia selected from the group consisting of trialkylamine (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>), piperidine, pyrazine, alkanolamine (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>) and cycloalkylamine (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>); B is selected from the group consisting of  $-\text{NHCO}-$  and  $-\text{NHSO}_2-$ ; n is an integer 2 or 3; and Z is an arylene selected from the group consisting of:

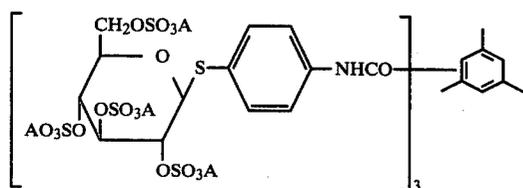


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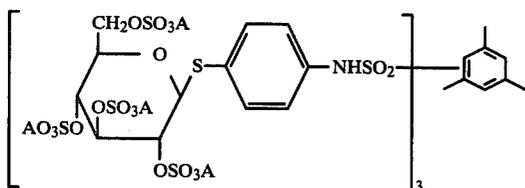


2. The compound according to claim 1, dodecatriethylammonium  $N,N',N''$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide, where the structure is:



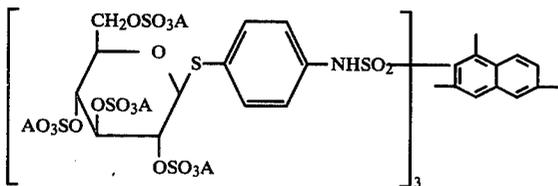
wherein A is  $N+H(C_2H_5)_3$ .

3. The compound according to claim 1, dodecatriethylammonium  $N,N',N''$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide, where the structure is:



wherein A is  $N+H(C_2H_5)_3$ .

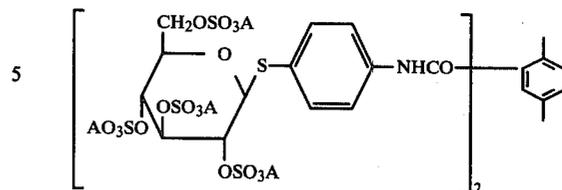
4. The compound according to claim 1, dodecatriethylammonium  $N,N',N''$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylene-trisulfonamide, where the structure is:



wherein A is  $N+H(C_2H_5)_3$ .

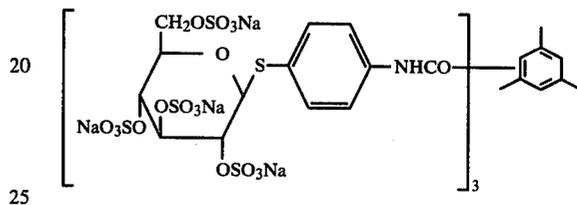
5. The compound according to claim 1, octatriethylammonium  $N,N'$ -bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide, where the structure is:

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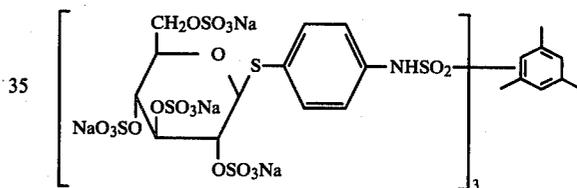


wherein A is  $N+H(C_2H_5)_3$ .

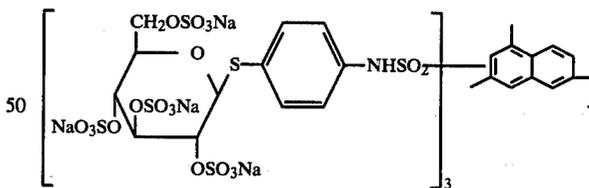
6. The compound according to claim 1, dodecasodium  $N,N',N''$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide, where the structure is:



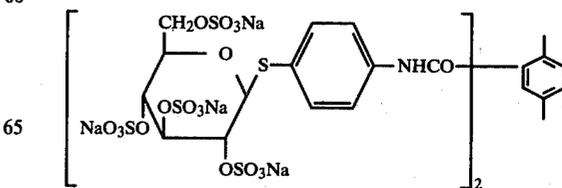
7. The compound according to claim 1, dodecasodium  $N,N',N''$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide, where the structure is:



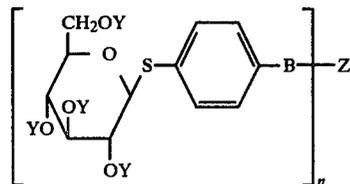
8. The compound according to claim 1, dodecasodium  $N,N',N''$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylene-trisulfonamide, where the structure is:



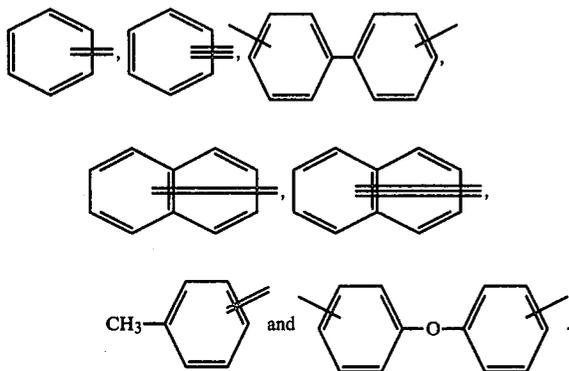
9. The compound according to claim 1, octasodium  $N,N'$ -bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide, where the structure is:



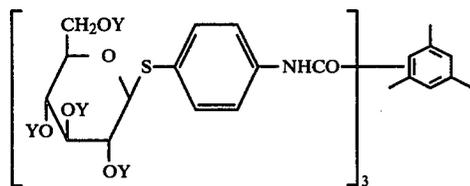
10. A compound selected from those of the formula:



wherein Y is selected from the group consisting of H and  $-\text{COCH}_3$ ; B is selected from the group consisting of  $-\text{NHCO}-$  and  $-\text{NHSO}_2-$ ; n is an integer 2 or 3; and Z is an arylene selected from the group consisting of:

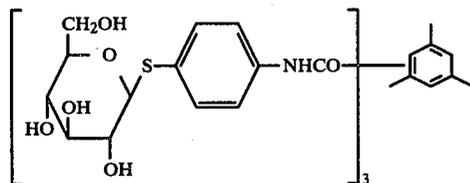


11. The compound according to claim 10,  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide, where the structure is:

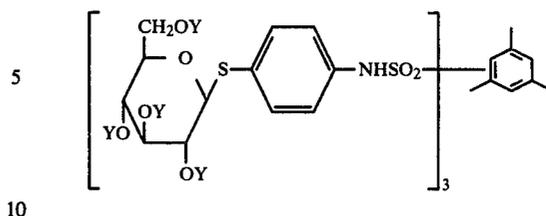


wherein Y is  $\text{COCH}_3$ .

12. The compound according to claim 10,  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide, where the structure is:

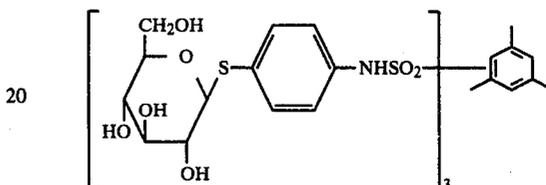


13. The compound according to claim 10,  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrifluorobenzene, where the structure is:

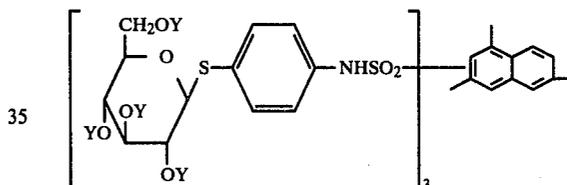


wherein Y is  $\text{COCH}_3$ .

14. The compound according to claim 10,  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrifluorobenzene, where the structure is:

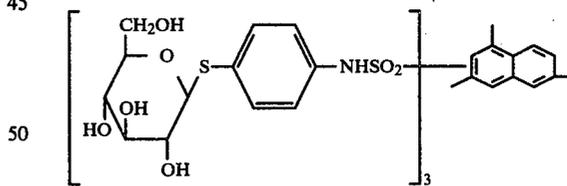


15. The compound according to claim 10,  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrifluorobenzene, where the structure is:

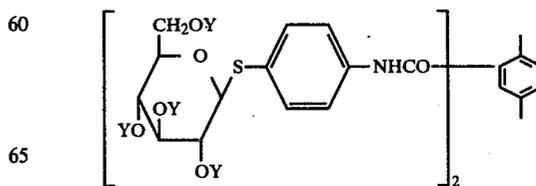


wherein Y is  $\text{COCH}_3$ .

16. The compound according to claim 10,  $\text{N,N',N''}$ -tris[4-[( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrifluorobenzene, where the structure is:



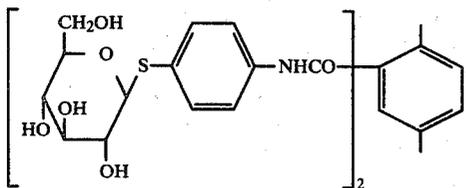
17. The compound according to claim 10,  $\text{N,N'}$ -bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide, where the structure is:



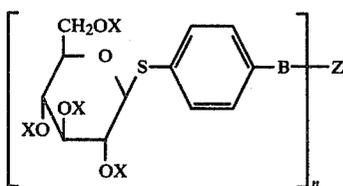
wherein Y is  $\text{COCH}_3$ .

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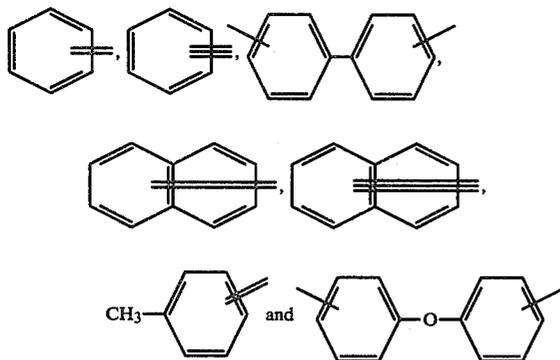
18. The compound according to claim 10, N,N'-bis[4-[( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide, where the structure is:



19. A method of modulating the complement system in a body fluid which comprises subjecting said body fluid to the action of an effective complement modulating amount of a pharmaceutically acceptable compound selected from those of the formula:



wherein X is  $-\text{SO}_3\text{M}$  and M is a nontoxic pharmaceutically acceptable cation salt, wherein the salt forming moiety is selected from the group consisting of alkali metal, alkaline earth metal, aluminum, zinc, ammonia and substituted ammonia selected from the group consisting of trialkylamine ( $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_6$ ), piperidine, pyrazine, alkanolamine ( $\text{C}_2-\text{C}_6$ ) and cycloalkylamine ( $\text{C}_3-\text{C}_6$ ); B is selected from the group consisting of  $-\text{NHCO}-$  and  $-\text{NHSO}_2-$ ; n is an integer 2 or 3; and Z is an arylene selected from the group consisting of:



20. The method according to claim 19, wherein the body fluid is blood serum.

21. The method according to claim 19, wherein the compound is dodecatriethylammonium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide.

22. The method according to claim 19, wherein the compound is dodecatriethylammonium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide.

23. The method according to claim 19, wherein the compound is dodecatriethylammonium N,N',N''-tris[4-

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[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide.

24. The method according to claim 19, wherein the compound is octatriethylammonium N,N'-bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide.

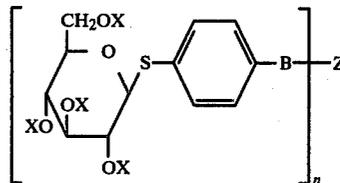
25. The method according to claim 19, wherein the compound is dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide.

26. The method according to claim 19, wherein the compound is dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide.

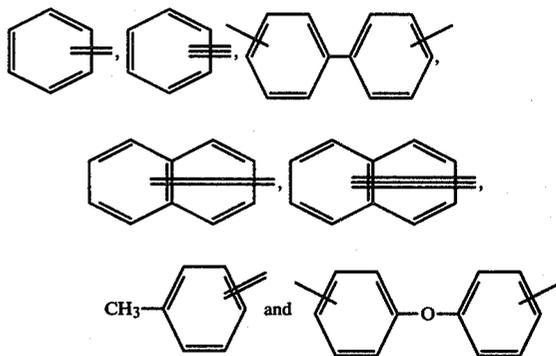
27. The method according to claim 19, wherein the compound is dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide.

28. The method according to claim 19, wherein the compound is octasodium N,N'-bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide.

29. A method of modulating the complement system in a warm-blooded animal which comprises administering to said warm-blooded animal an effective complement modulating amount of a pharmaceutically acceptable compound selected from those of the formula:



wherein X is  $-\text{SO}_3\text{M}$  and M is a nontoxic pharmaceutically acceptable cation salt, wherein the salt forming moiety is selected from the group consisting of alkali metal, alkaline earth metal, aluminum, zinc, ammonia and substituted ammonia selected from the group consisting of trialkylamine ( $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_6$ ), piperidine, pyrazine, alkanolamine ( $\text{C}_2-\text{C}_6$ ) and cycloalkylamine ( $\text{C}_3-\text{C}_6$ ); B is selected from the group consisting of  $-\text{NHCO}-$  and  $-\text{NHSO}_2-$ ; n is an integer 2 or 3; and Z is an arylene selected from the group consisting of:



30. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is dodecatriethylammonium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide.

31. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is dodecatriethylammonium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide.

32. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is dodecatriethylammonium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide.

33. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is octatriethylammonium N,N'-bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide.

34. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetricarboxamide.

35. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,5-benzenetrisulfonamide.

36. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is dodecasodium N,N',N''-tris[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,3,6-naphthylenetrisulfonamide.

37. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is octasodium N,N'-bis[4-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-sulfo-β-D-glucopyranosyl)thio]phenyl]-1,4-benzenedicarboxamide.

38. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is administered internally.

39. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is administered topically.

40. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is administered periodontally in the oral cavity.

41. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is administered intra-articularly.

42. The method according to claim 29, wherein the compound is administered parenterally.

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